GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
A B S T R A C T

MA&UD Department – AH,DD&F Department - Constitution of State Animal Birth Control Implementation & Monitoring Committee and Local Animal Birth Control Monitoring and Implementation Committee for effective implementation of Animal Birth Control Programmes across the State - Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (UBS) DEPARTMENT

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ORDER:

In the reference read above, the AH,DD&F Department has informed that the Director, Animal Husbandry Department, Vijayawada has stated that during the Executive Committee meeting held on 11.07.2022 under the Chairpersonship of Special Chief Secretary to Government, AH,DD&F, resolved to constitute the State Level and District Level "Implementation and Monitoring committees" for effective implementation and strengthening the Animal Birth Control Programme in accordance with the ABC (Dogs) Rules 2001 & the Gazette of India, Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying dated 31.07.2022. Further, the Director, AH has informed that the Hon'ble Supreme Court in S.L.P. (C) No.691 of 2009 has directed all the State Governments / UTs to implement the provisions of the ABC (Dogs) Rules 2001 effectively to control the population of the stray dogs. In view of this, the Special Chief Secretary to Government, AH,DD&F Department has requested the MA&UD Department to constitute the State & Local Level Animal Birth Control and Monitoring Committees for effective implementation of the Animal Birth Control Programme.

2. Government after careful examination of the proposal of the AH,DD&F Department and after obtaining the remarks of the Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, Mangalagiri, hereby constitute the following Committees for effective implementation of the Animal Birth Control Programme in the State:

1. State level Birth Control Implementation & Monitoring Committee:

1.	Special Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary to Government, MA & UD Department.	Chairperson
2.	Director, Health, Medical & Family Welfare Department	Member
3.	Commissioner, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department	Member

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4.	Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration Department.	Member
5.	Two representatives from the Animal Welfare Board of India (To be nominated by the AH,DD&F Department)	Members
6.	Two representatives from the A.P. State Animal Welfare Board (To be nominated by the AH,DD&F Department)	Members
7.	Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Vijayawada.	Member
8.	Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Guntur.	Member
9.	Representatives of at least 2 Panchayats (To be nominated by the Commissioner, PR & RD Department)	Members
10.	Municipal Commissioner, Tenali.	Member
11.	Municipal Commissioner, Gudivada.	Member
12.	Officer in-charge of the APSAWB .	Member Secretary as well as the Nodal Officer

The State Monitoring and Implementation Committee shall be responsible to carry out the following functions:

- The setting up of Animal Birth Control Monitoring Committees at the local authority levels as required by the ABC Rules.
- Developing a comprehensive district wise plan (including but not to infrastructure, budget etc. for dog population management in urban and rural areas throughout the state.
- Enlisting ABC Implementing Agencies possessing of the requisite training and experience, recognized by the AWBI to carry out the ABC Programme as per the district and State Plan. This may include the AHD working in consultation with and the under the technical guidance of the AWBI.
- Ensuring that the requisite infrastructure is set up, and other capital costs (including but not limited to fully furnished ABC facilities / campuses with ambulances and equipment), and all other expenses for successful running an animal birth control programme, including man power costs, are made available to the ABC Implementing Agencies from the local authorities, and reimbursed in a timely manner as required by Rule 6 of the ABC Rules.

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- Responsible for overall monitoring of the ABC Programme in the state by the local authorities.
- The state monitoring committee shall also carry out inspection on receipt of any complaints regarding the ABC and Cruelty to animals during the Birth control Programme and violation of Birth Control Rules and take appropriate action.
- The committee shall meet once in every three months or as and when necessary.

2. Local Animal Birth Control Monitoring and Implementation Committee:

1.	Municipal Commissioner of the Urban Local Body	Ex-officio Chairman
2.	A representative of the Public Health Department of the District (to be nominated by the District Medical & Health Officer concerned)	Member
3.	Assistant Director, Animal Husbandry Department of the District concerned	Member
4.	Local Veterinary Assistant Surgeon (To be nominated by the District Animal Husbandry Officer of the District concerned)	Member
5.	A representative of the District Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA)	Member

Functions of the Committee:

The committee shall be responsible for planning and management of dog control programme in accordance with these rules. The committee may:

a. Issue instructions for catching, transportation, sheltering, sterilization , vaccination, treatment and release of sterilized vaccinated or treated dogs.

b. Authorize veterinary doctor to decide on case to case basis the need to put to sleep critically ill or fatally injured or rabid dogs in a painless method by using sodium pentathol. Any other method is strictly prohibited. To be decided through a sub-committee comprising of two veterinary officers and a representative of a recognized animal welfare organization. The sub-committee shall specify reasons in writing for euthanasia of each animal.

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c. Creating public awareness and solicit co-operation and funding.

d. Providing guidelines to pet dog owners and commercial breeders from time to time.

e. Take such steps for the purpose of monitoring the dog bite cases and to ascertain the reasons of dog bite, the area where it took place and whether it was from a stray or a pet dog. For the purpose details may be collected from Human Hospital in a requisite format.

f. Arrive at an estimate of the number of dogs within its territorial limits by conducting a census in the manner advised by the AWBI.

g. Ensure development of the infrastructure required to execute the Animal Birth Control program for the estimated number of dogs. In order to do this, detailed project reports shall have to be prepared and submitted to the State Monitoring and Implementation Committee in coordination with the state government.

h. The infrastructure shall be designed in such a manner to carry out area-wise animal birth control in a phased manner of at least 70% dogs in the targeted area before a new area is taken up. The infrastructure shall include, but not be limited to pre-operation preparation areas, Operation Theatres, post-op care, kennels, kitchen, store rooms for rations and medicines, parking area, residential rooms for veterinarians and attendants, quarantine wards, ambulances, etc.

3. The Animal Husbandry, Dairy Development & Fisheries (AH,DD&F) Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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AP Secretariat, Velagapudi
All the Committee Members through AH,DD&F Department, AP Secretariat, Velagapudi
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The Commissioner & Director of Municipal Administration, Mangalgiri.
The Director, Animal Husbandry Department, Vijayawada.
The OSD to Hon'ble Minister (MA&UD)
The PS to Special Chief Secretary to Government, MA&UD Dept.
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